



City of Jonesboro

Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Meeting Minutes Public Works Council Committee

Thursday, October 9, 2025

5:00 PM

Municipal Center, 300 S. Church

NOTE: Rescheduled due to National Night Out

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL (ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE) CONFIRMED BY CITY CLERK APRIL LEGGETT

Present 8 - John Street;Chris Moore;Charles Coleman;LJ Bryant;Ann Williams;Janice Porter;Anthony Coleman and Kevin Miller

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[MIN-25:069](#)

Minutes for the Public Works Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 5, 2025

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Ann Williams, seconded by Chris Moore, that this matter be Passed . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Chris Moore;Charles Coleman;LJ Bryant;Ann Williams;Janice Porter;Anthony Coleman and Kevin Miller

4. NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED

[RES-25:130](#)

A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT A PERMANENT DRAINAGE EASEMENT FROM JERALD SHARP FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND MAINTAINING DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Permanent Drainage Easement.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Charles Coleman, seconded by Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Chris Moore;Charles Coleman;LJ Bryant;Ann Williams;Janice Porter;Anthony Coleman and Kevin Miller

[RES-25:135](#)

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO APPROVE THE

ATTACHED FEE PROPOSAL FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES FOR THE S. CARAWAY ROAD WIDENING PROJECT

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Fee Proposal - S Caraway Plan Revisions.pdf](#)

Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, I do have a question for Craig, I think. So, the only thing I'm just, and I read the proposal, I just want to make certain that I understand. The original five-lane was supposed to be so many Links but you're shortening it? Is that right? Engineering Department Director Craig Light approached the podium and said, yeah. The funding through the bond is not enough to build a complete five-lane section that was originally planned to the Links. The original project was a five-lane section from Parker Road to the Links and a three-lane section from there to Fox Meadow. The funding that we got through the bond issuance will not cover that construction, so what this would do would revise the construction plans to be a five lane to Latourette, a three lane to Glenn's Place and then we'll transition back down to the existing two-lane road from Glenn's Place to Fox Meadow. So, in a couple hundred feet it would transition back down to the existing roadway and there'd be no improvements other than the 10-foot side path on the west side of the road, south of Glenn's place. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, how far will the 10-foot side path go? Director Craig Light said, it will go from Parker Road to Fox Meadow on the west side. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, all the way down. Director Craig Light said, yeah. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, and then one last question. So, when you get from Latourette onto Fox Meadow, when you say three lanes, and this is just for me, my understanding, the turning lane and then the two, so that's three. Director Craig Light said, yes. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, and five would mean two... okay, I got you. That's all I had. Thank you.

Councilmember Chris Moore said, Craig, how much short were we on money to be able to complete that project? Director Craig Light said, about \$4,000,000. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman, just follow up as I thought about this. What about ArDOT? With the shortening of that, would it affect the traffic much or what? Director Craig Light said, I mean, South Caraway is a city street, so there's no Highway Department money involved in the project at all. Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, I understand that, but didn't we do a road study or something? Director Craig Light said, yeah, we did a traffic study back when the project first kicked off and the recommendation was a five-lane road to Glenn's Place and then a three-lane to Fox Meadow. That was what was recommended in the traffic study. But again, that's not the funding that we have available for the project.

Chief Administrative Officer Brian Richardson approached the podium and said, and I know the council is aware of this since it was discussed during the bonding process, but just to make sure for the public that may be listening. You know, the cross section as Craig talked about, to Latourette and then scaled down to Glenn's Place, that was actually discussed as the cross section during the bond process. So, the project hasn't changed since the bond was approved. It's the same cross section that was in the bond initiative, but you know, I know that each of y'all know that but just in case somebody from the public was following and was not aware of that. I just wanted to point that out.

A motion was made by Janice Porter, seconded by Chris Moore, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Chris Moore;Charles Coleman;LJ Bryant;Ann Williams;Janice Porter;Anthony Coleman and Kevin Miller

[RES-25:136](#)

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO APPROVE THE ATTACHED SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH FISHER ARNOLD FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES FOR THE UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS LINK TRAIL PROJECT

Sponsors: Engineering

Attachments: [Job 101060 Supplemental Agreement.pdf](#)

Councilmember Dr. Anthony Coleman said, I do have one question. I'm sorry, I know it's not a lot of money, but Craig again. I just want to make sure I understand while reading the proposal, some of the words, and it uses the terms minimize negative impacts to Fielder and Aggie Road intersection. What does that mean? Engineering Department Director Craig Light approached the podium and said, Fielder Road is a road that intersects with Aggie and the existing grade on the road is about 18%, which is very steep. It's actually steeper than what our city code allows for roadways to be on new construction. So, what this proposal would do is look at doing some improvements on Fielder to lessen the slope on that roadway to bring it closer into compliance with city code. To make it so it's not so steep. Right now, the way it's built, and then if we build the trail as planned, the cars sitting there would be at a very poor angle and when they would try to approach the roadway there's a good chance that they would squeal their tires because of the angle that they're sitting at. So, what this would do is it would lessen that slope so they're sitting flatter with Aggie Road when they get to the top of Fielder Drive.

A motion was made by Janice Porter, seconded by Charles Coleman, that this matter be Recommended to Council . The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Chris Moore;Charles Coleman;LJ Bryant;Ann Williams;Janice Porter;Anthony Coleman and Kevin Miller

5. PENDING ITEMS

6. OTHER BUSINESS

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Chris Moore, seconded by Charles Coleman, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion PASSED with the following vote.

Aye: 7 - Chris Moore;Charles Coleman;LJ Bryant;Ann Williams;Janice Porter;Anthony Coleman and Kevin Miller